



## **RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on Tuesday, 30 April 2019 at 5.00 pm at the Council Chamber, The Pavilions, Cambrian Park, Clydach Vale, Tonypany, CF40 2XX.

### **County Borough Councillors - Licensing Committee Members in attendance:-**

Councillor A Fox (Chair)

Councillor D Williams	Councillor S Bradwick
Councillor S Powderhill	Councillor E Webster
Councillor W Lewis	Councillor S Morgans
Councillor A Cox	Councillor L Jones
Councillor P Howe	

### **Officers in attendance:-**

Ms L Davies, Service Director – Public Protection Services  
Mr G Black, Community Safety and Strategic Partnerships Manager  
Mr P Nicholls, Service Director, Legal Services  
Mr A Morgan, Licensing Enforcement Officer  
Mr M Owen, Assistant Licensing Manager  
Ms R Hope, Health Protection and Licensing Service Manager  
Mr N Evans, Licensing Enforcement Officer  
PC Whittle - South Wales Police

#### **58 Apology for Absence**

An apology for absence was received from County Borough Councillor T. Williams.

#### **59 Announcements**

The Chair took the opportunity to welcome Councillor S. Bradwick back, following a period of ill health.

The Chair also wished to extend his gratitude on behalf of the Committee, to the Manager of the Oasis Centre, Ms R. Gronow who had provided Members with detailed training in respect of Domestic Violence.

The Service Director, Public Protection updated Members on the recent restructure to the Public Health, Protection and Community Services department. Members were advised that Mr G. Black had recently undertaken the role as Partnerships Manager and as a result, Ms R. Hope would be undertaken a wider portfolio responsibility, which would incorporate the role and duties of the Licensing department. The Service Director explained that the changes outlined above would align with the changes to the Licensing Committee's role, which will consider skin piercing premises and individuals; and that both Mr G. Black and Ms R. Hope would be present at future meetings until

further notice.

**60 Declaration of Interest**

In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, County Borough Councillor A. Fox declared the following prejudicial interest in Item 6 – Applications for Licensing: “The applicant and his wider family are known to me. Therefore, I will leave the meeting whilst this item is discussed.”

**61 Human Rights Act and Crime and Disorder Act**

It was **RESOLVED** to note that when Members determine the licensing and registration matters before them, they have a duty not to act in a manner that is incompatible with the convention on Human Rights and the Crime and Disorder Act.

**62 Minutes**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 as an accurate reflection of the meeting subject to the following amendment:

- Minute No. 55 (5): The Committee **RESOLVED** to suspend the Joint Hackney Carriage/ Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence as a punitive measure for a period of 1 month with immediate effect and that it was a requirement for the Licensee to obtain the BTEC Level Certificate for Transporting Passengers for Hire & Reward within a period of 2 months.

**63 To consider the Licences & Registrations issued under the provision of Delegated Powers for the period 18.02.19 - 07.04.19:**

The Service Director, Public Protection presented Members with details of licences and registrations issued during the period 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 and 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2019 and it was **RESOLVED** to note the content of the report.

**64 To consider passing the following Resolution:**

It was **RESOLVED** that the press and public be excluded from the meeting under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 13 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

**65 To consider the following Applications for Licensing and/or Registration:**

(**Note:** At this point in proceedings, having earlier declared an interest in the above-mentioned application (Minute No.60), County Borough Councillor A. Fox left the meeting for this item, and County Borough Councillor D. Williams took the Chair).

The Service Director, Public Protection set out details of the following application for the grant of a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence.

In accordance with adopted procedures, Members received Mr LAC of Mountain Ash whose application for grant of a Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence was before Committee.

Following consideration of the report and the evidence before them, the Committee **RESOLVED** to refuse the application for Joint Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence was before Committee.

**66 Enforcement Summary (Including Appeal/Prosecution Data) for the period 01.03.19 - 12.04.19:**

**(Note:** At this point in proceedings, County Borough Councillor A. Fox returned to the meeting, and took the Chair).

The Service Director, Public Protection provided Members with the report outlining the most recent enforcement activity, including any prosecution and appeals updates for the period 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019 and 12<sup>th</sup> April 2019 and it was **RESOLVED** to note the content of the report.

**67 Summary of Licences issued under provision of Delegated Authority for the period 18.02.19 - 07.04.19:**

The Service Director, Public Protection provided Members with the report outlining the Licences and/or Registrations issued under provisions of Delegated Authority for the period 18<sup>th</sup> February 2019 and 7<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to note the content of the report.

**This meeting closed at 5.48 pm**

**CLLR A FOX  
CHAIR.**